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involved, visit cstx.gov/bikepedgreenways. about the program, or to learn how you can get environmental stewardship. For more information bicycling and walking outdoors, and encourage improve connectivity and accessibility, increase safe Greenways Master Plan that identifies goals to Council approved a citywide Bicycle, Pedestrian, and the City. In January 2010, College Station City and pedestrian access and mobility throughout and Greenways Program strives to improve bicycle The City of College Station's Bicycle, Pedestrian,

Bicycle, Pedestrian & Greenways

multi-use paths. access including bike lanes, bike routes, and has installed several bicycle facilities to improve street (except where posted otherwise), the city state law allows bicyclists to ride on any public bicycling facilities in College Station, Texas. While This map provides general guidance on public **Jehnsthis Map**

City of College Station Bike Map & Info Guide

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Grade-separated Crossings are...

Identified on this map as an overpass/underpass that has a sidewalk or other improvements to assist bicyclists and pedestrians in crossing major highways.

Multi-use Paths are...

All-weather and accessible paths shared by bicyclists and pedestrians along a greenway or road corridor. These paths are typically 10-12 feet wide, although some may be 8 feet in width. They are also known as greenway trails that follow linear open space corridors along natural features such as creeks and rivers and the associated flood plain or riparian buffer.

Tips for Multi-use Paths

- * Share the path. Show respect for all users.
- * Bicyclists must yield to pedestrians. Pedestrians have the right-of-way on multi-use paths and sidewalks.
- * All path users must keep to the right half of the path except when passing or turning left.
- * Signal when Passing. Bicyclists: sound your bell or call out a warning as you approach.
- Respect Nature. Ride or walk only on designated paths to protect parks, natural areas, private property, habitat, and yourself.
- Look both ways at path crossings.
- * Keep pets on a leash and clean up after them.
- * No motorized vehicles are allowed on the trail.
- Bicyclists should slow down when path is busy, on hills, curves and under/over

Safety on Multi-use Paths

- * Keep fully alert and aware of your surroundings while exercising outdoors.
- Obey all multi-use path and road signs and with multi-use paths.
- Don't leave valuables in your private vehicle. If valuables are left in a vehicle place them in a location that is out of sight.
- Carry identification, and tell someone where you are going and when you will return, or exercise with a companion.
- Report suspicious or criminal activity to the **College Station Police Department.**
- * Use caution during rain events.

This document was prepared by City of College Station staff from a variety of sources and should be used as a guide for bicycling opportunities within College Station. It reflects knowledge of facilities at time of publication and is subject to change without notice. The accuracy of this data is limited to the validity and accuracy of available data, and therefore the City makes no representations or warranties as to the accuracy of the data. The City does not warrant the safety or assume responsibility for bicyclists using any street or route shown on the map. This map is intended for informational



A Bike Lane is...

A designated part of the roadway, typically 5-7 feet in width, that is striped, signed and has pavement markings to be used exclusively by bicyclists. Parking is not allowed in a bike lane.



A Bike Route is...

A roadway designated with signage* that is shared by both bicyclists and motor vehicles. Typically, the road will have lower traffic speeds and volumes or may be a common route for bicyclists **through high-demand areas.** * Many routes designated on this map do not have bike route signs. Efforts to install these signs have recently begun.



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Share the Road

You may also see a Share the Road sign along roadways to increase awareness of motorists and enhance the safety of bicyclists.

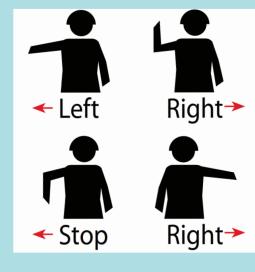
Bicyclists have the same rights and responsibilities as motorists.

Bicycle Theft Prevention

Locking your bike to a bicycle rack can prevent most bicycle thefts. Use a good quality "case-hardened" or "hardened" U-bolt lock. Lock the frame and rear wheel of your bike to the bicycle rack. Do not lock your bike to trees, parking meters, sign posts, hand railings, etc.

If you are a Texas A&M faculty, staff or student, you can register your bicycle with Texas A&M Transportation Services for FREE. Help authorities recover your bike if it is lost or stolen and be a part of the growing bike program at Texas A&M! For more information, visit transport.tamu.edu.

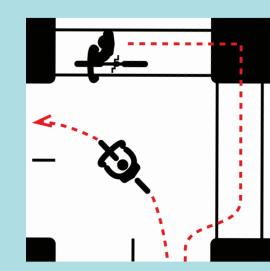
TIPS FOR ON-STREET BICYCLING



Use Hand Signals

Signal all turns and stops ahead of time to tell motorists what you intend to do. Look over your shoulder for any traffic, then make your intended move only when it is safe to do so.

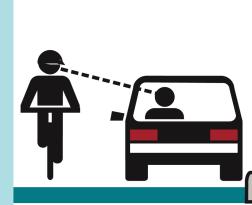
Signal as a matter of law, courtesy, and self protection.



Choose the Best Way to Make a Left Turn

There are two ways to make a left turn on roadways:

- 1. Like a vehicle: Look back for oncoming traffic, signal, then move into the left turning lane. Turn left when it is clear.
- 2. Like a pedestrian: You can always get off your bike and walk across one or both crosswalks. Yield to pedestrians.



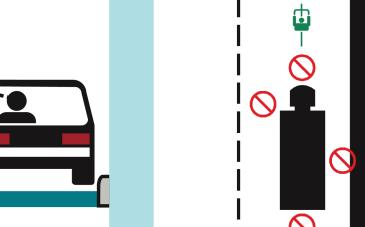
Make Eye Contact

behind.

Establish eye contact with motorists to ensure that they know you are on the road. Look over your shoulder regularly or use a mirror to scan the road

Confirm that you are seen.

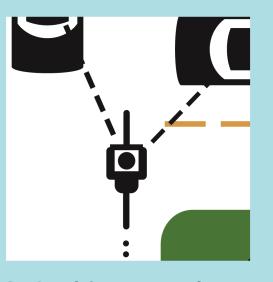
Although bicycles have equal right to the road, be prepared to maneuver for safety. Assume they don't see you until you are sure they do. When the sun is in their eyes, drivers may not see you.



In Front or Far Behind, Not Beside

To ensure drivers of large vehicles (buses, trucks, and motor homes) can see you, stay out of their blind spots. Never pass on the right side.

Ride far enough behind for the driver to see you, and at least four feet from the sides to avoid falling under a large vehicle.



Be Careful at Intersections

Proceed with care since most crashes occur at intersections. Avoid being in a turn-only lane if you want to go straight through an intersection. In narrow lanes or slow traffic, it may be safer to take the whole lane.

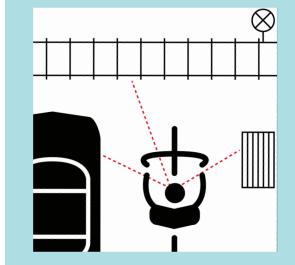
Also take care when overtaking cars while in a bike lane. Drivers don't always signal when turning.



Ride to See and Be Seen

Make yourself as visible as possible. A strong headlight and rear reflector or tail-light at night is recommended. Wear light colored clothes with reflective tape for extra protection at night.

> Wear a hard-shell helmet whenever you ride. Helmets dramatically reduce the risk of head injury in a bicycle crash.



Avoid Road Hazards

Watch for parallel-slat sewer grates, slippery manhole covers, oily pavement, detour signage, gravel, and other debris. Cross railroad tracks carefully at right angles.

For better control as you move across bumps and other hazards, stand up on your pedals.



Go Slow on Sidewalks

Pedestrians have the right of way on sidewalks and in crosswalks. You must give an audible warning when you pass. Cross driveways and intersections at a walk's pace and look carefully for traffic.

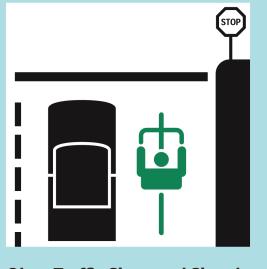
Be especially aware of small children, people with pets, and people with disabilities and their service animals.



Keep Clear of Door Zone

Try to ride a door's width away from parked cars. If you have to ride in the door zone, ride very slowly. You have the right to ride in the middle of a motor vehicle lane if it is too narrow to share with a car.

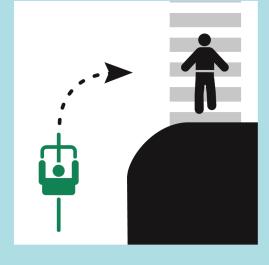
Also, watch for cars pulling out of driveways.



Obey Traffic Signs and Signals

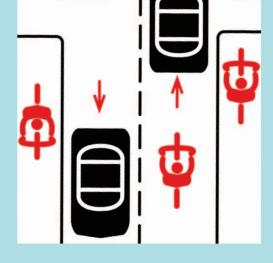
Bicyclists have the same rights and responsibilities as motorists so they must also follow the same rules of the roads.

Bicyclists are required to come to a complete stop at stop signs and red signal lights.



Respect Pedestrians' Rights

Pedestrians on sidewalks and in crosswalks have the right of way. When entering or exiting driveways, bicyclists must yield to pedestrians on the sidewalk.



Never Ride Against Traffic

Motorists and pedestrians are not looking for bicyclists riding against traffic on the wrong side of the road. Ride in the same direction as the flow of traffic even on sidewalks.

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City of Portland, Oregon | http://www.portlandonline.com/transportation/index.cfm?c=39402&a=321389

City of Bellevue, Washington | http://www.chooseyourwaybellevue.org/bike

City of Calgary, California | http://www.calgary.ca/docgallery/bu/engineering_services/emaps/bicycle_pathways_map.pdf

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